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(Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2002 (Paper No. 12), the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please ~~rewrite~~ the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 1, as follows:

From Table 2, it can be understood that the case 6 of the cleaner 1 of Example 1 had
an excellent high temperature oxidation resistance and good deformation resistance. Thus,
the excellent gas cleaning ability of Example 1 is maintained for a long time.